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HSIEN ADMINISTRATION

- A. A Hsien Party Committee administers the affairs of each hsien.
1. This Committee is appointed by each Communist provincial government and is a Party function.
  2. Members of this Committee are the chiefs of the four branches of hsien administration, plus a military advisor, with the secretary of the Hsien Committee being the nominal chief of the Committee.
- B. Hsien Government is headed by a hsien magistrate who is a member of the Hsien Committee and directly administers civil and municipal affairs.
1. The Hsien Government is divided into the following sections:
    - a. Civil Affairs Section
    - b. Education Section
    - c. Finance Section
    - d. Health Section
    - e. Special Works Section (Reconstruction Section)
    - f. Judicial Section
    - g. Secretariat
    - h. Police Bureau (Public Safety Bureau)
  2. The Hsien Government is directly responsible for the ch'u or District Offices.
- C. The (? Special) Department of Armament of the Hsien Government, whose function is purely military, is headed by a Director who is a member of the Hsien Party Committee.
1. The activity of this Department is conducted by three units within the Department:
    - a. Political Section
    - b. General Affairs Section
    - c. Works Section
  2. This Department is directly responsible for activity of the District Department of Armament.
- D. United Reconstruction Group. This Group provides the necessary organization of all workers groups for political purposes. It is headed by a director who is a member of the Hsien Party Committee.
1. This United Reconstruction Group is divided into four Groups and a Secretariat:
    - a. Farmers Patriotic Group (Farmers' National Salvation Group)
    - b. Youth Patriotic Group (Youth National Salvation Group)

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- c. Women's Patriotic Group (Women's National Salvation Group) 25X1A  
 d. Laborers Patriotic Group (Workers' Group)  
 e. Secretariat  
 2. This Group is directly responsible for the United Reconstruction Group activities within the ch'u or district.
- E. The Secretary of the Hsien Party Committee is the actual Committee chairman.  
 1. His direct responsibilities include:  
 a. Organization  
 b. Information (propaganda)  
 c. Mass Movement (evacuation)  
 d. Traitor Extermination  
 e. Secretariat  
 2. This Secretary is also responsible for the organization of the District Party Committee.
- F. A Garrison Battalion is assigned to each hsien.  
 1. This is a unit of troops of the Military Subzone Headquarters in which the hsien is located.  
 2. This Battalion is further broken down into companies and assigned to the various districts.

- II. DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION. District Administration is fundamentally the same as Hsien Administration, but on a smaller scale.
- A. The Secretary of the Party within the district is the actual district leader. The District Party Committee indirectly supervises the district chief, the District Department of Armament and the District United Reconstruction Group. The District Party Committee, through individual members, directly supervises:  
 1. Organization  
 2. Information (propaganda)  
 3. Mass Movement (evacuation)  
 4. Youth Members  
 5. Traitors Extermination
- B. The District Chief is directly responsible for:  
 1. Civil Affairs  
 2. Education  
 3. Food and Finance  
 4. Relief  
 5. Mediation of Disputes  
 6. Police  
 7. Taxation  
 8. Also responsible for the Village Administrative Office.
- C. The Director of the Department of Armament within the district is responsible for:  
 1. The instruction of the populace regarding military affairs and self defense  
 2. He is also responsible for the instruction within the village.
- D. The major function of the Director of the United Reconstruction Group within the district is to organize the village group.
- E. Within each district is a company of troops of which the District Chief is the commander. The assistant commander is elected by the troops themselves, who are generally organized locally.

### III. VILLAGE ADMINISTRATION

- A. A Village Party Committee administers the affairs of each village through the Secretary of the Party Subcommittee.  
 1. The Secretary of the Party Subcommittee within the village is directly responsible for:  
 a. Organization  
 b. Information (propaganda)  
 c. Mass Movement (evacuation)  
 d. Traitor Extermination  
 e. Maintains supervision over the village chief, the village corps commander and instructor, and the United Reconstruction Group.

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- B. The Village Office, through the Village Chief, appoints villagers to deal with the following functions:
1. General Affairs: This member is in charge of all liaison with the military forces.
  2. Education: This member is in charge of all education and recreation activities.
  3. Food and Finance: This member is responsible for the collection and storage of food.
  4. Relief: This member is in charge of all matters pertaining to the relief of the needy.
  5. Mediation: This member acts as a mediator of all disputes.
  6. Police: This member is in charge of all counter espionage, investigation of travellers, and maintains a check on the village chief.
- C. The Village Corps Commander and Instructor is responsible for:
1. Organizing a militia. This would be among all men under the age of 30, who will serve as a security force and a defense corps if necessary, and who will also work at the production of food and/or war materials.
  2. Self Defense Corps: This unit is made up of men over 30 years of age, who will serve as a security force and assist in the production of food and war materials.
  3. Women's Self Defense Corps: This unit is made up of older women whose duties are to perform the tasks of washing, sewing and shoemaking, as well as to assist the security force.
  4. Young Women's Group: This unit consists of married women whose duties are: sewing, washing, shoe making, as well as serving as armed members of the security force.
- D. The Director of the Village United Reconstruction Group is responsible for:
1. Farmers National Salvation Group, which is in charge of the distribution of confiscated property, the investigation of the farming situation, and the collection of litters.
  2. Youth National Salvation Group: Responsible for morale activities and recruiting.
  3. Women's National Salvation Group: This unit is organized to aid the village chief in administrative matters, assist in recruiting for the Army, farming, comforting troops, and checking on anti-Communist elements.
  4. Laborers Union: The duties of this unit are to organize workers, administer their activities, and to set wage scales.

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